Rivers Road Preserve Map- Joseph Popp Application Legend CONSERVATION 250 500 Feet Rivers Road Preserve Boundary Data Source: 2020 aerials-Coiller County Property Appraiser Created by: Conservation Coiller CS Popp Application 19.4 acres Conservation Collier / Collier Private Property Collier County

Conservation Collier Land Acquisition Program Initial Screening Criteria

Property Owner: Joseph Popp Property Location: Rivers Road Parcel size: 19.4 acres Nominations to the Conservation Collier Program are based on satisfying at least two of the initial screening criteria below. Qualified sites shall then be further prioritized by secondary evaluative criteria. 1. Are any of the following unique and endangered plant communities found on the property? Order of preference as follows: Ord. 2002-63, Sec. 10 (1)(a) a. Hardwood hammocks b. Xeric oak scrub c. Coastal strand d. Native beach e. Xeric pine f. High marsh (saline) Tidal freshwater marsh h. Other native habitats Mixed wetland hardwoods, Cypress, and pop ash swamp 2. Does land offer significant human social values, such as equitable geographic distribution, appropriate access for nature-based recreation, and enhancement of the aesthetic setting of Collier County? Ord. 2002-63, Sec. 10 (1)(b) ⊠Yes. This property may be accessed via Rivers Road and offers land-based opportunities for natural resourcebased recreation consistent with the goals of this program, including but not limited to, environmental education, hiking, and nature photography. It is immediately adjacent to the 76 acres Conservation Collier Rivers Road Preserve. 3. Does the property offer opportunities for protection of water resource values, including aquifer recharge, water quality enhancement, protection of wetland dependant species habitat, and flood control? Ord. 2002-63, Sec. 10 (1)(c) ⊠Yes The property contains wetlands and therefore provides habitat for wetland-dependent species. The property contributes significantly to both the Lower Tamiami Aquifer and the Surficial Aquifer. The ability of these parcels to contribute to flood control is unknown, though from the presence of hydrologic indicators such as cypress knees, water marks on pop ash trees and butressed cypress trunks, some properties appear to contain surface water for at least part of the year. 4. Does the property offer significant biological values, including biodiversity, listed species habitat, connectivity, restoration potential and ecological quality? Ord. 2002-63, Sec. 10 (1)(d) ⊠Yes No Listed plant and animal species have been documented on the 76-acre Rivers Road preserve immediately adjacent to this parcel. The native plant communities on this parcel provides additional habitat for a suite of upland and wetland dependent species, and wildlife including the Florida panther and black bear. 5. Does the property enhance and/or protect the environmental value of current conservation lands through function as a buffer, ecological link or habitat corridor? Ord. 2002-63, Sec. 10 (1)(e) ⊠Yes ∐No

The parcel is adjacent to and contributes to an important wildlife corridor connecting two private conservation easements through a wildlife crossing under Immokalee Road to the over 60,000-acre Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed (CREW) owned by the South Florida Water Management District and Audubon Florida.

Is the property within the boundary of another agency's	acquisition project?	
	Yes	\boxtimes No
If yes, will use of Conservation Collier funds leverage a	significantly higher r	ank or funding priority for
the parcel?	Yes	\square No
Without such funding circumstances, Conservation Collethese lands. Ord. 2002-63, Sec. 10 (1)(f)	lier funds shall not be	available for purchase of